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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the references set forth below and listed on the attached form PTO-1449 are being brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the cited references are enclosed herewith.

U.S. Patent Number	<u>Dated</u>	Inventor	Class/ Subclass
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It is respectfully requested the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a copy of the attached form PTO-1449 with initials or other appropriate marks.

Any document dated less than one year prior to the earliest effective filing date of this patent application is expressly not admitted to be prior art, but rather is being brought to the attention of the Examiner as indicative of the state of the art.

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